



## Louisiana Crop Progress and Condition Report

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Louisiana, there was 2.1 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, November 18, 2018**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short, 0 percent short, 37 percent adequate, and 63 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short, 0 percent short, 43 percent adequate, and 57 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 31.4 degrees Fahrenheit at Homer to 42.9 degrees Fahrenheit at New Orleans. Highs ranged from 50.3 degrees Fahrenheit at Lake Providence to 61.0 degrees Fahrenheit at New Orleans. Moderate precipitation was received throughout most of the State, with the highest concentration in the northwest part of the State with an average of 3.83 inches.

### Crop progress for week ending November 18, 2018

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cotton, harvested	98	92	100	100
Soybeans, harvested	97	96	100	100
Sugarcane, planted	100	99	100	100
Sugarcane, harvested	52	46	55	54
Sweet potatoes, harvested	92	83	100	96
Winter wheat, planted	53	47	66	56
Winter wheat, emerged	31	17	37	39

### Crop condition for week ending November 18, 2018

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Livestock	1	9	40	43	7
Pasture	2	18	46	30	4
Sugarcane	0	6	28	49	17
Vegetables	4	8	40	44	4
Winter wheat	0	4	36	41	19

### Comments from Cooperative Extension Service Parish Agents

“Improved weather during last week offered better ground conditions for sugarcane harvest, tonnage reports were really good. Two frosty mornings last week burnt most pastures and hay fields. Livestock producers are in full swing feeding hay and supplements while waiting on winter grazing pastures. Hay supplies are extremely short going into winter. There were reports of some early crawfish being harvested.”

– Vincent Deshotel, Saint Landry Parish

“Drier conditions last week allowed for limited hay harvest. Sugarcane harvest was difficult but progressing. Drier weather allowed for some to complete ratoon rice harvest. Some cattle ranchers were planting ryegrass late and beginning to hay and feed cows. Hay will be in very short supply.”

– Andrew Granger, Vermilion Parish

“Somewhat drier weather last week allowed for second crop rice to be harvested. Yields dropped some but not much. Some hay fields were cut last week as they were overdue to be cut. Most fields were still saturated and drier weather is needed.”

– Jeremy Hebert, Acadia Parish

“Fields started drying out towards the end of last week. Sugar producers slowly began to improvements in sugar per ton with sunny conditions. Overall sugar tonnage per acre continued to be better than anticipated. Crawfish producers started to put out traps. Second crop rice harvest was winding down. Hay producers were struggling to make a final cutting. Overall hay supplies are short and frost burned tops of forage fields. Ryegrass producers were putting out fertilizer on cool season pastures. Cattle producers were putting out hay and feed supplements. Most nuts have dropped from pecan trees and harvest was winding down. Frost sensitive fall vegetables were damaged by frosty conditions.”

– Stuart Gauthier, Saint Martin Parish

“There were finally a few days of dry weather strung together. More is needed. Cold weather brought winter’s first frost to area. Sugarcane harvest continued with high tonnage but lower sugar as compared to last year. Cattle producers were trying to get back into wet fields to get ryegrass planting completed before rains return.”

– Stanley Dutile, Lafayette Parish

**Louisiana Weather Summary for Week Ending November 18, 2018**

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
<b>Northwest</b>										
Minden	50.5	32.2	41.33	55.2	-14.03	2.94	2	1.83	8.57	3.82
Mooringsport	54.6	35.4	45	55.87	-10.87	1.85	2	0.75	6.26	2.15
Red River	54.1	36.9	45.5	56.47	-10.97	5.07	2	3.97	10.85	6.28
Shreveport	53.9	34.9	44.36	55.41	-11.06	5.44	3	4.28	11.15	6.2
Extreme/Average	53.3	34.9	44.05	55.74	-11.73	3.83	3	2.71	9.21	4.61
<b>North central</b>										
Calhoun	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	54.7	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Farmerville	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	55.1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Homer	51.1	31.4	41.29	54.03	-12.74	2.3	2	0.98	7.02	2.2
Extreme/Average	51.1	31.4	41.29	54.61	-12.74	2.3	2	0.98	7.02	2.2
<b>Northeast</b>										
Lake Providence	50.3	33	41.64	55.57	-13.93	3.03	4	1.83	11.31	6.85
St Joseph	53.4	33.9	43.64	57.96	-14.31	2.78	3	1.46	7.89	3.55
Tallulah	57	33.3	45.17	56.67	-11.5	0	0	-0.35	3.11	0.3
Winnsboro	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	57.11	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	2.52	0.58
Extreme/Average	53.6	33.4	43.48	56.83	-13.25	1.94	4	0.98	6.21	2.82
<b>West central</b>										
Ashland	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	56.21	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hodges Gardens	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	58.34	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Leesville	55.6	35.9	45.71	57.34	-11.63	1.49	2	0.12	5.81	0.6
Natchitoches	57.7	38.7	48.21	57.74	-9.53	1.94	2	0.97	6.86	2.22
Extreme/Average	56.7	37.3	46.96	57.41	-10.58	1.71	2	0.54	6.33	1.41
<b>Central</b>										
Alexandria	54.6	36.3	45.43	58.6	-13.17	2.22	2	0.78	5.8	0.23
Bunkie	53	35.4	44.21	59.06	-14.84	1.65	3	0.36	7.59	2.39
Eunice	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	61.23	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Jonesville Locks	54.3	35.4	45.5	58.36	-12.85	3.3	2	1.94	5.13	0.56
New Roads	52.6	38	45.3	60.44	-15.42	0.22	2	-0.42	6.94	3.2
Extreme/Average	53.6	36.3	45.11	59.54	-14.07	1.85	3	0.66	6.37	1.6
<b>East central</b>										
Baton Rouge	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	0.28	2	-0.79	4.8	0.39
Hammond	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	59.3	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Norwood	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	0.57	2	(NA)	4.85	(NA)
Slidell	60.5	38.7	50.33	60.63	-10.3	1.78	3	0.75	7.65	3.87
Extreme/Average	60.5	38.7	50.33	59.97	-10.3	0.88	3	-0.02	5.77	2.13
<b>Southwest</b>										
Crowley	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	60.44	(NA)	1.03	2	-0.08	6.1	1.3
DeRidder	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	59.19	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Jennings	57.9	38	47.93	60.93	-13	0.34	2	-0.8	4.81	-0.12
Oberlin Fire	55.7	37.4	46.57	59.8	-13.23	0.15	1	-1.04	3.63	-1.47
Extreme/Average	56.8	37.7	47.25	60.09	-13.12	0.51	2	-0.64	4.85	-0.1
<b>South central</b>										
Donaldsonville	58.8	36.7	48.42	60.74	-12.33	0.75	3	-0.2	5.88	1.87
Jeanerette	57.1	36.9	47	61.3	-14.3	0.23	3	-0.62	5.93	1.98
Lafayette	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	60.5	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Morgan City	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	62.37	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Extreme/Average	58	36.8	47.71	61.23	-13.32	0.49	3	-0.41	5.9	1.93
<b>Southeast</b>										
Galliano	59.3	40.7	50	62.91	-12.91	2.54	3	1.77	9.25	6.22
Gonzales	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	0.8	2	-0.07	7.39	3.3
Grand Isle	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
New Orleans	61	42.9	51.93	63.86	-11.93	1.28	3	0.28	6.41	2.86
Extreme/Average	60.1	41.8	50.97	63.38	-12.42	1.54	3	0.66	7.68	4.13
<b>State</b>	<b>55.9</b>	<b>36.6</b>	<b>46.36</b>	<b>58.93</b>	<b>-12.54</b>	<b>1.61</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0.54</b>	<b>6.5</b>	<b>2.15</b>

(NA) Not available.

Normal = Averaged collected data from 1981-2010.

DFN = Departure From Normal.